

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 are pending. In view of the following, all pending claims are in condition for allowance. If, after considering this response, the Examiner does not agree that all of the claims are allowable, he is requested to schedule a teleconference with the Applicants' attorney to further the prosecution of the application.

### **Objection to the Drawings**

The Examiner once again refers to "Figures 1-5." However, as stated in the previous response filed on August 13, 2007, it should be noted that Figures 4 and 5 do not exist in the present application. The present application only includes FIGS. 1, 2a, 2b, 2c, 3a and 3b, and as disclosed in the present application, FIGS. 1-3b are not prior art. Therefore, the Examiner is requested to withdraw this objection.

### **Rejection of claims 1 and 8-20 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Albasini et al. (US 7,005,928)**

Applicants have included a translation of Italian patent application No. MI2003A000484, filed on March 14, 2003, from which the present application claims priority. Applicants have also included a Statement of Accuracy of Translation. Therefore, Albasini is not prior art, and the Examiner is requested to withdraw this rejection.

### **Allowable Subject Matter**

Claims 2-7 are patentable by virtue of their dependencies from claim 1.

## CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, claims 1-20 are in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

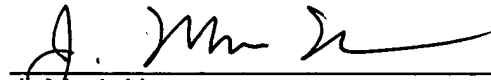
Applicants submit that this response has not generated any additional claim fees. Should additional claim fees be required, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 07-1897. Should additional time be necessary in order for this response to be considered timely, please consider this communication as such supplemental petition and charge the additional fee to Deposit Account No. 07-1897.

While every attempt has been made to provide a *bona fide* response to the referenced office action, if the Examiner finds this response deficient in any way, he is respectfully requested to contact applicant's attorney of record by telephone, at (425) 455-5575.

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